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Additional Local.

Announcement.

The Ladies' Lecture Association is pleased to announce the prospectus as ready for distribution, and that the tickets will be placed on sale to-morrow at the Northern office. They can also be obtained of the secretary and treasurer, or at the probate office, and it is hoped all who think of purchasing will attend to it as early as convenient.

The course opens Oct. 10th with a lecture on "Savonarola" by Dr. Gun-saulus, the young and brilliant speaker who is thought by many to be "the coming orator of America."

November will bring a double treat including both concert and lecture. First, on the 14th, the Shipp Brothers English Hand bell Ringers, assisted by the accomplished Eva Bartlett Macey, reader and pianist, will give a varied program including some very fine imitations of the English tower bells; then, on the 28th, comes Mrs. Edna Chaffee Noble, a lady of rare culture who is at the head of the Detroit School of Elocution and will lend the grace of her art to a description of the famous "Passion Play" as it appeared to her at its last rendition, when she journeyed to Oberammergau, Germany, to make a study of it.

December 31st the silver-tongued Irish orator Con. Haney, will give his thrilling lecture on "Ireland and Irishmen," in which he draws many beautiful and terrible pictures of the Emerald Isle and her sufferings throughout the ages.

January 31st we anticipate an address both wise and witty on "The Golden Rule" by Dr. Henson, one of Chicago's most noted pulpit orators whose lecture on "Fools" given here some ten years ago, is still remembered with pleasure by those who heard it.

For the 24th of February the far-famed Lotus Glee Club, celebrated on two continents, is booked; and, if this concert should not prove a thorough success, the Ladies will in despair eschew all musical combinations for evermore, for surely never was any Glee Club more highly praised than this one has been during the eleven years in which it has visited all parts of the country.

Last, but by no means least, comes George R. Wendling, a speaker in such demand that, though he gives but a portion of his time to the work, he has lectured over 1400 nights within the last eight years. This lecture was expected to complete the course in March, but other engagements making it impossible, it will not be given until April 4th. The subject is "The Man of Galilee" and the manner of treatment such that the effect is said to be both fascinating and inspiring.

In offering all this brilliant array of talent for the small sum of \$1.50 for the season, the Association feels that it not only merits, but will receive, the hearty support of all who are desirous to make the coming winter both a pleasurable and profitable one. For further details, see the prospectus.

Circuit Court Notes.

The September term of the circuit court for this county was a sort of misfit affair all around--no two people being ready for anything at any one time. We have attempted to corral what little business was accomplished and present it in the same misfit manner:

At a session of the circuit of court last Friday, Geo. Cuddeback pleaded guilty to violation of the liquor law and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50, or in default thereof to be confined twenty days in the county jail. In the case of The People vs. Herman Miller, charged with assault with intent to murder, a nolle proes. was entered.

Joseph Conkling, a Keeler druggist, was fined \$50 and \$5 costs on his plea of guilty in the circuit court Monday morning on the charge of violation of the local option law.

In the circuit court Monday morning the case of the People vs. Frank Butts, Roe Parker and Robert Buchanan, charged with robbery, was called on for trial. The attorney for the defense raised the point that the information was defective in some particulars, which point was conceded by the prosecutor and a nolle proes. entered. The parties were immediately rearrested and will have another examination before Justice Mason on Tuesday next. Butts and Buchanan have been in jail about 90 days each and, if held on their exami-

ation, as they undoubtedly will be, they must remain in jail until about the middle of November before they can be tried. Parker was fortunate enough to secure bail and is at liberty.

As there were no cases ready for trial Monday afternoon, Judge Buck adjourned court until Tuesday, giving the hardworked jury a chance to recover their breath, as it were.

On Tuesday morning Matthew Murphy of Lawton pleaded guilty to violating the local option law, and was fined \$60 and \$9.68 costs. (This case had been tried in this court, appealed to the supreme court, and sent back for a new trial.)

The much talked-of Labadie liquor case has come and gone, and nothing remains of it but the shameful reminiscence of an attempt to secure the conviction of a poor, honest, hard-working man by hired and professional liars. When the case was called in the circuit court yesterday morning, the prosecuting attorney stated to the court that he had decided to nolle proes. it, as he thought the ends of justice would be as well subserved by this disposition of the case as to go on and try it. Judge Buck, in dismissing the case remarked that "one important phase of the case was that the principal witness for the prosecution was now confined in the county jail for a violation of the same law, and that it was extremely doubtful if a conviction could be had." All these little pleasantries, however, cost the people dollars.

With the disposal of this case the jurors for the term, excepting one, who was kept as a sort of nest-egg around which to draw a jury if one should be needed between now and November, were discharged and paid off and the court stands adjourned to the 27th inst. The jurors for this term certainly can have nothing to complain of in the way of arduous duties, for out of the twenty criminal cases on the calendar, a great many of the respondents pleaded guilty, some went over the term, and the remainder were nolle proes'd. In but one instance was a jury sworn, and that in a civil case in which there was no defense. Law-abiding citizens don't have much use for courts and juries.

Probate Court Proceedings.

Following are the proceedings in Judge Heckert's court for the week ending Tuesday, Sept. 20th:

Estate of Catharine Heffron, deceased; administrator discharged.

Estate of Elizabeth Terry, deceased; executor discharged.

In the matter of Jennie A. Field, minor; guardian discharged.

Estate of Mary A. Powers, deceased; final account filed; hearing Oct. 10th.

Estate of Harriet H. Southard, dec'd; license to sell real estate granted.

Estate of A. S. Wise, deceased; final account filed; hearing Oct. 17th.

Estate of Augustus A. Jaques, dec'd; final account allowed and residue of estate assigned to Mary A. Jaques.

Estate of Hosea A. Gish, deceased; estate closed to creditors.

Estate of Gilman White, deceased; estate closed to creditors.

In the matter of Cassie and Nora Washburne, minors; petition filed for license to sell real estate; hearing Oct. 17th next.

Obituary.

David Woodman, uncle of David 2nd and J. J., was born in the town of Barrington, New Hampshire, July 27, 1793, and entered into rest at Oketo, Kansas, August 28, 1892, at the ripe age of 99 years, 1 month, and 1 day.

When still a small child, his parents removed to Caledonia county, Vermont, where the subject of our sketch grew to manhood and where, on May 14, 1821, he married Abigail Gray, by whom he had six children, three of whom survive him.

At the age of thirty he moved to Monroe county, N. Y., thence to Lenawee county, Mich., where he remained four years. He then came to Paw Paw, where he spent, with the exception of the past eight years, an active and useful life, respected and beloved by all who knew him. He was one of the founders, and for fifty-five years a denizen, of the Free Baptist church of this village. He was a great reader while his eyesight remained good--his Bible and historical works being his choice of literature.

It can well be said of deceased that not only length of days was his earthly portion, but unsullied virtue illumined his pathway.

Marriage Licenses.

No. 1356--David Lockhard, 31, and Dorrance Loveland, 27, both of Gobles.

No. 1357--Jessie Lightshaw, 30, and Adaline Beebe, 45, both of South Haven.

No. 1358--Sylvester Bompey, 18, and Lizzie Adams, 17, both of Covert.

No. 1359--Spencer Beach, 76, and Abbie Burch, 16, both of Porter.

No. 1360--Arthur G. Harrison, 22, and Katie A. Emerson, 25, both of So. Haven.

No. 1361--John G. Halmont, 36, and Hattie Pratt, 25, both of Bangor.

New Suits.

W. J. Minter vs. Livonia Maybee; divorce.

The First Nat'l Bank of Syracuse, N. Y., vs. Ostrander, Loomis & Co.; attachment.

W. D. Stevens et al. vs. W. E. Bass; assumpsit.

John Lyle vs. C. H. Emersom; ejectment.

W. S. Knisely vs. G. A. Crawford; trespass on the case.

E. F. Parks, adm'r &c., vs. Margaret Crippen Norris; assumpsit.

Rhoda A. Pearsons vs. Thos. Pearsons; divorce.

The Test of Table Manners.

Speaking of favorite dishes the gourmet said: "I am daily more convinced of the profundity of Brillat-Savarin's famous dictum--'Dis moi ce que tu manges et je te dirai ce que tu es'--tell me what you eat and I will tell you what you are. At hotel table, in restaurant or at the club, if you want to get an infallible guide to a man's innate disposition just note what he orders and when it is served observe how he eats it. It beats palmistry hollow."--St. Louis Republic.

Giant Powder in Their Boots.

It is a curious fact that not one minor out of every hundred who has had any experience will do anything but put the sticks of giant powder into his bootlegs. He knows just about how much giant powder he will need during the shift and he receives before he enters the shafthouse to go down. Then he carefully places it in the leg of his boot, and in this manner conveys it into the mine. --Great Divide.

A Coachman's Footgear.

It lately happened that on an accident occurring to the equipage of a rich merchant, the coachman, though apparently faultlessly dressed, could not be induced to leave the box. At last, when he jumped down, the whole crowd burst into laughter, for he wore a pair of tattered slippers and blue woollen stockings. --Berlin Cor. Chicago Inter Ocean.

People Who Smoke Domestic.

Philadelphia cigar dealers kept imported cigars for visitors and for show. A cigar dealer near Walnut street told the reporter that he was the first man to buy an imported cigar since that cigar shop had been opened. --Cor. New York Sun.

At a marriage banquet, when Richard, Earl of Cornwall, wedded Cincia, the daughter of Raymond, Earl of Provence, the tables groaned beneath the weight of more than thirty thousand dishes.

At Lubbenau, in Prussia, it is said that small, reddish brown mice have appeared in great numbers in the fields and are destroying everything. The cats will not touch them.

Changes from heavy to light underwear and the reverse are dangerous. It is better to depend on one's outer clothing, which should be removed on coming into a warm room.

If it were left to the angels above they would probably say that fairly good English is more generally spoken in the United States than in the United Kingdom.

A boy found a £25 note in London, and his mother, on taking the note to the owner, was rewarded with thanks and the sum of twopence.

A DIAGRAM NEEDED.

Embarrassing Effort of Two Young Society People to Attend a Wedding.

Not long ago a prominent young society lady of a neighboring city was stopping with friends in this city at one of the leading hotels. There is nothing particularly strange in this, except the fact that she was here led to an extremely unusual and amusing incident. Stopping at the same hotel was a society gentleman of large acquaintance. Not long ago it happened that two wedding receptions, both in high society, occurred on the same evening. That evening, as he left the dining room of the hotel, the gentleman who figures in this story met the young lady above referred to, and after an exchange of courtesies asked her if she was to attend the wedding reception. She replied that such was her intention. He then asked if he should call for her and received an affirmative answer.

Promptly at 9 o'clock a carriage rolled up to the hotel entrance, a young man alighted, was whisked up to the first floor parlors in the elevator and in a few minutes came down with the young lady, attired in a bewitching costume, upon his arm. The carriage then sped away to the northward and in a very short time halted before a large residence in a fashionable part of the city, from the windows of which many lights streamed.

The young lady and her escort were at once shown to up stairs rooms, where they could divest themselves of their outer wraps before descending to the parlors. While the gentleman was waiting in the hall for the young lady she suddenly appeared with a scared look on her face, and motioning him out of hearing of every one excitedly exclaimed in a stage whisper:

"Do you know where we are?"

"Why, yes," said the gentleman, with a questioning look on his face. "We are at Mr. T--'s."

"Well, I was not invited here," said the young lady, with growing alarm.

"Well, what did you come for then?"

"I thought we were going to the reception at Mr. M--'s. I knew nothing about this reception."

"I knew nothing about that reception," said the gentleman. "I was not invited there. I supposed you were invited to this one."

"And just to think," exclaimed the young lady, almost on the border of tears, "my sister expects me at M--'s. What shall we do?"

The situation was so funny that both laughed. The young man had been invited to one reception and the young lady to another, and neither knew that there were to be two receptions on the same night.

"I'll take you over to M--'s," said he. At first the young lady thought she would go, but changed her mind, and both returned to the hotel to await the coming home of the former's sister. A consultation was held and it was decided to keep the affair secret, but the story was so good that first one and then another were "put on."

The young man has registered an eternal vow that the next time he invites a young lady to attend a reception with him he will furnish a diagram showing the name of the family and the number of the house. --Indianapolis Journal.

Savage Legends.

The savage islanders of the south Pacific believe that the world is a cocoon shell of enormous dimensions, at the top of which is a single aperture communicating with the upper air, where human beings dwell. At the very bottom of this imaginary shell is a stem gradually tapering to a point which represents the beginning of all things. This point is a spirit or demon without human form, whose name is, "Root of All Existence." By him the entire fabric of creation is sustained.

In the interior of the cocoon shell, at its very bottom, lives a female demon. So narrow is the space into which she is crowded that she is obliged to sit forever with knee and chin touching. Her name is "The Very Beginning," and

from her are sprung numerous spirits. They inhabit five different floors, into which the great cocoon is divided. From certain of these spirits mankind is descended. The islanders, regarding themselves as the only real men and women, were formerly accustomed to regard strangers as evil spirits in the guise of humanity, whom they killed when they could, offering them as sacrifices. --Exchange.

The Growth of Seaweed.

Seaweeds vary surprisingly in their habits of life. Some species grow altogether beneath the water, attaching themselves below the lowest tide level; others frequent heights where they are left dry at every retreating tide, while others yet are found in situations where they are scarcely ever covered by water. Whereas most of them attach themselves to rocks or solid bottom, keeping to the shallows, there are exceptions to the rule, among which the most remarkable is the "sergasso," or "gulf weed," which floats on the surface of the ocean. Immense fields of it are seen by the navigator, extending as far as the eye can reach. It is sometimes so abundant as seriously to interfere with the progress of ships, and it was this which so alarmed the crew of Columbus on his first voyage of discovery. --Interview in Washington Star.

A Self Sprayer.

M. Monnet, of Lyons, now prepares chloride of ethyl by the action of chlorhydric acid on alcohol. A glass bottle has been devised on the mouth of which a nozzle can be screwed which throws a fine jet on the skin, so that the remedy can be applied by any one to his own skin. --New York Times.

How Florida Crackers Got Their Name.

The drivers of the work teams in Paris can beat the "crackers" of Florida at cracking their whips. This is saying much, for the latter got their peculiar designation from their skill in that direction. --New York Sun.

Punished by the Czar.

The czar of Russia knows how to brace up his military officers to their duty. A merchant of Charkoff was murdered by soldiers, and it was shown that had the officers of the regiment stationed in the town maintained proper discipline the murder might have been prevented. As a punishment for this they have been ordered to pay a yearly pension of 5,000 rubles to the widow of the murdered man. --Toledo Blade.

Not Surprised.

Neighbor (breathlessly)--Oh, Mrs. Hardluck, your little son Johnny found a dynamite bomb, and took it into a stable down town and broke it with an ax, and blew up the stable and all the buildings around it.

Mrs. Hardluck--Land sakes! I wonder what that boy will be up to next. --Good News.



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